

2015-16 KENTUCKY HUNTING SEASONS

DEER	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Modern Gun	Nov. 14-29, 2015 (either sex)		Nov. 14-23, 2015 (either sex)	Nov. 14-23, 2015 (antlered only)
Archery	Sept. 5, 2015 – Jan. 18, 2016 (either sex)			Sept. 5, 2015 – Jan. 18, 2016 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 17-18, Nov. 14-23 and Dec. 12-17)
Crossbow	Oct. 1-18 and Nov. 14 - Dec. 31, 2015 (either sex)			Oct. 1-18 and Nov. 14 – Dec. 31, 2015 (either sex, except antlered only Oct. 17-18, Nov. 14-23, Dec. 12-17)
Muzzleloader	Oct. 17-18 and Dec. 12-20, 2015 (either sex)			Oct. 17-18 and Dec. 12-17, 2015 (antlered only) and Dec. 18-20, 2015 (either sex)
Youth-only Firearms	Oct. 10-11, 2015 (either sex)			
Free Youth Weekend	Dec. 26-27, 2015 (either sex)			

QUOTA ELK	Firearms	Archery	Crossbow
Bull (antlered)	Week 1: Oct. 3-9, 2015 Week 2: Oct. 10-16, 2015	Sept. 19 – Oct. 2, Oct. 17 – Dec. 11, Dec. 19, 2015 – Jan. 1, Jan. 9-18, 2016	Sept. 26 – Oct. 2, Oct. 17 – Dec. 11, Dec. 19 – 25, 2015
Cow (antlerless)	Week 1: Dec. 12-18, 2015 Week 2: Jan. 2-8, 2016	Oct. 17 – Dec. 11, Dec. 19, 2015 – Jan. 1 and Jan. 9-18, 2016	Oct. 17 – Dec. 11 and Dec. 19 – 25, 2015
Youth-only Quota (either sex)	All seasons as noted above		

BEAR	Chase-only	Archery/Crossbow	Firearms	Quota Hunt with Dogs
	Aug. 1-31, 2015 and during the Quota Hunt with Dogs	Visit fw.ky.gov or call 1-800-858-1549	Dec. 12-14, 2015	Visit fw.ky.gov or call 1-800-858-1549

FALL TURKEY	Shotgun	Archery	Crossbow
	Oct. 24-30 and Dec. 5-11, 2015	Sept. 5, 2015 – Jan. 18, 2016	Oct. 1-18 and Nov. 14 – Dec. 31, 2015

SMALL GAME		Hunting	Trapping
Squirrel		Aug. 15 – Nov. 13 and Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016
Rabbit	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 – Jan. 31, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 – Jan. 31, 2016
	Western Zone	Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 10, 2016	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 10, 2016
Quail	Eastern Zone	Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 – Jan. 31, 2016	No trapping
	Western Zone	Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 10, 2016	
Grouse		Nov. 1-13 and Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016	
Falconry		Sept. 1, 2015 – March 30, 2016	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week		Dec. 26, 2015 – Jan. 1, 2016	

FURBEARERS	Hunting	Trapping
Raccoon & Opossum	Oct. 1, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016, day or night (Exceptions apply)	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016
Coyote	Year-round, day or night (Exceptions apply)	
Bobcat	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 28, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only	
River Otter, Muskrat, Mink, Beaver, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Weasel & Striped Skunk	One-half hour before sunrise Nov. 16, 2015 – Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only	
Free Youth Hunting & Trapping Week		Dec. 26, 2015 – Jan. 1, 2016

OTHER SPECIES	Hunting
Crow	One-half hour before sunrise Sept. 1 – Nov. 7, 2015 and Jan. 4 – Feb. 29, 2016, daylight hours only
Bullfrog	Noon May 15 – Midnight Oct. 31, 2015
Groundhog	Year-round
Turtles	Year-round, day or night (exceptions apply)

Special rules such as hunting zones, quotas and species restrictions may apply to these season dates. Please refer to the pages listed above for complete details before you hunt.